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1. In July 1951, the barracks installation on the west side of Uranus Street in Bucharest was occupied by an infantry unit of about 1,500 troops who were armed with German rifles and model 98 carbines; Soviet submachine guns with drum magazines; German and Soviet submachine guns with clip magazines; submachine guns with very short barrels and clip magazines, apparently of British origin; light machine guns, apparently of Swiss origin; and heavy water-cooled machine guns.
2. Another barracks installation on Angelescu Street, with a side entrance on Plevnei Street, was occupied by an infantry unit of from 1,500 to 2,000 men. The arms observed with the troops were of the same type as those observed in the installation on Uranus Street.
3. A third barracks installation, located in a park about 80 meters from Plevnei Street and surrounded by a 1.5-meter brick wall, was occupied by a motorized unit which allegedly numbered about 1,000 men. Soldiers observed there wore black epaulets and collar patches, and black-bordered caps. Truck-drawn AT guns observed with the unit were of about 80 and 50 mm, mounted muzzle brakes, with lighter guns fitted with split-trail carriages. ZIS and Tatra trucks were repeatedly seen entering and leaving the billeting area. According to rumors, the barracks installation also quartered a tank unit.
4. A fourth barracks installation on Strada Virgiliu housed a gendarmerie school of about 1,000 trainees and a gendarmerie unit of about 800 men.
5. The General Staff building was located on Stirbey Voda Street, opposite the Bucharest broadcasting station. Soviet officers were repeatedly seen driving up to the building. The Romanian War Ministry was located on Strada Brezoianu.
6. The officer candidate school was located near Stirbey Voda Street and was attended by upwards of 1,000 officer candidates.
7. The ordnance and ammunition depot was located on Strada Uranus, opposite the Infantry Barracks. Ammunition was stored in roofed excavations in the ground. Sentries were furnished by the unit in the Infantry Barracks.
8. The military hospital was located at the intersection of Strada Virgiliu and Strada Plevnei.

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